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MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS’ WELFARE

- According to the first advance estimates of 2019-20 of area and production of various horticultural crops, major findings are:
  1. Area-25.61 million ha
  2. Production-313.35 million tonnes
- Ministry has announced the approval of market access to sesame seeds from Brazil to India.
- First National consultative workshop on strengthening Agri-logistics in e-NAM was held in New Delhi.

MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRIES

- 800 Farmers Producers Organization have been registered on Farmers Connect portal of APEDA II 160.
- Commerce secretary level meeting was held between India and Bangladesh in New Delhi on 15th-20th January 2020.
- A total of 186 Agri-products testing laboratories have been set up by APEDA which will help to boost agri export.
- Awareness camp was organized by APEDA for potato exports in Agra.

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

- 51st K9 VAJRA-T was flagged off from L& T Armoured system complex in Gujarat.
- 107 individuals were rescued by the Indian Air Force from the frozen Zansken river in the Union Territory of Ladakh.
- Maroon Beret Ceremonial Parade was organized at Chandinagar.
- 11th Edition of the Biennial mega defence exhibition, Def Expo 2020 will be held at Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh from 5th to 9th February, 2020.
- Indian Navy has signed a MoU with Geological survey of India for offshore data.
- SAMPRITI-IX which is an Indo-Bangladesh defence cooperation, a joint military training exercise will be conducted at UMROI, Meghalaya from 3rd to 16th February 2020.
- Indian Navy has launched Operation Vanilla in order to provide Humilitarian assistance and disaster relief at Madagascar.

MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

- Pariksha pe charcha-2020 was organized on 20th January, 2020 in New Delhi in which Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi interacted with students from India and abroad.
- Ministry has partnered with Ministry of parliamentary affairs for online youth parliament program to commemorate 70th anniversary of Indian Constitution.
MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

- National conclave on emerging opportunities in Natural gas sector was organized in New Delhi.
- Indian oil has signed a MoU with National Petroleum authority of Ghana in order to provide assistance in the implementation of Ghana’s National LPG promotion policy.
- A MoU has been signed between India and Brazil for cooperation in the oil and natural gas sector.
- Saksham which is a Fuel conservation mega campaign of Petroleum conservation Research Association (PCRA) has been launched by the ministry.

MINISTRY OF ROADS AND TRANSPORTS

- A concessional agreement has been signed for the construction of Z-Morh tunnel in Jammu & Kashmir.
- A new Motor vehicle registration mark DD has been assigned to new Union territory of Daman and Die and Dadra and Nagar Haveli.

MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

- Ministry has signed a MoU with Bill and Melinda Gates foundation under DAY-NRLM in order to fulfill the mutual objective of strengthening grass roots institutions.
- Ministry has organized workshop on Road safety with state Government to share best practices and increases awareness among masses.

MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

- A MoU has been signed between Brazil and India for bilateral cooperation in the field of early childhood.
- Central Adoption Research Authority (CARA) celebrated its 5th annual Day on 15th January, 2020 in New Delhi.

MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

- 12th National conference on Safety in mines was inaugurated by the ministry on 28th January, 2020.

MINISTRY OF TOURISM

- Bharat Parv 2020 was inaugurated at red Fort on 26th January, 2020 which will be celebrated till 31st January, 2020. Theme-Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat and celebrating 150 years of Mahatma Gandhi.

MINISTRY OF AYUSH

- Cabinet has approved official amendments in the National commission for Homeopathy, 2019 which will ensure necessary regulatory reforms in the field of homeopathy education.
• According to the recent reports, mysterious corona virus is rapidly spreading in the entire world especially China.

MINISTRY OF CULTURE

• Four refurbished heritage buildings in Kolkata—Old currency building, the Belvedere hour, the Metcafe hours and the Victoria memorial hall have been dedicated to the nation by the Prime Minister of India.

MINISTRY OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH-EAST REGION

• A workshop cum exhibition on Bamboo-A wonder grass was organized in Jammu which will help in creating more opportunities in Jammu & Kashmir towards sustainable development.

MINISTRY OF STEEL

• Ministry has launched PURVODAYA for accelerated development of eastern India through integrated steel hub in Kolkata, West Bengal.

MINISTRY OF SHIPPING

• Rs.501 crore has been allocated towards pension fund of employees of the Kolkata Port trust.
• Ministry has inaugurated Kaushal Vikas Kendra and Pritilata Chhatra Avas for tribal girl students of Sunderbans.

MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

• Indian Railways has signed a MoU with RailTel for Phase -2 of e-office execution in order to make railway office units paperless.
• South Central Zone of Indian railways has signed a MoU with State Bank of India for doorstep banking for direct pickup of earnings covering all 585 railways stations under South Central Zone.

MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

• Haryana has topped the medals tally in Khelo India Youth Games which was organized in Guwahati.

MINISTRY OF INFORMATION & BROADCASTING

• A formal co-production agreement was signed between India and Bangladesh on the biopic of BangaBandhu which will be released during the birth centenary year of BangaBandhu.
• 3rd North Zone conference of media units was held in Jammu in order to strengthen synergy between the media units.
• Ireland has been chosen as the country of focus for the 16th edition of Mumbai International Film Festival.
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRIES

- In order to establish International Quality Standards, ministry has passed an order that No imports in others category will be done without HSN Code in the country.

DEPARTMENT OF SPACE

- **India's communication satellite GSAT-30** was successfully launched from the spaceport in French Guinea on 17th January, 2020.
- Ministry has launched **Bhuvan Panchayat V 3.0 web portal** which will ensure the reach of space technology to the houses of common man.

MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

- Ministry has launched **APNA UREA-Sona ugle** brand of Hindustan Urvarak and Rasayan Ltd. (HURL) which will ensure the revival of five urea plants and will reduce the dependence on imports.

MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND IT

- Ministry has inaugurated **Center of Excellence in Blockchain technology in Bangalore** on 17th January, 2020.

NITI AAYOG

- A MoU has been signed between NITI Aayog and Union Territory of Ladakh for the development of Infrastructure projects.

MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

- Asia’s largest Civil aviation event- **Wings India 2020** was organized in Bangalore on 18th January, 2020.

MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

- Ministry has inaugurated **ELECRAMA 2020** which is a flagship program of the Indian Electrical industry. It was organized in Greater Noida.

MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

- **15th Raising Day was celebrated on 18th January, 2020** by National disaster response force (NDRF).